UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS SHERMAN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

\$ CASE NUMBER 4:20-CR-00382-SDJ

v.

\$ CLIFFORD JEROME SMITH (88),

ORDER ADOPTING UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE'S REPORT AND FINDING DEFENDANT GUILTY

The Court referred this matter to the United States Magistrate Judge for administration of a guilty plea under Federal Rule of Criminal Procedure 11. The Magistrate Judge conducted a hearing in the form and manner prescribed by Rule 11 and issued Findings of Fact and Recommendation on Guilty Plea. The Magistrate Judge recommended that the Court accept Defendant's guilty plea and adjudge Defendant guilty on Count Six of the Fourth Superseding Indictment.

The parties have not objected to the Magistrate Judge's findings.

The Court hereby **ADOPTS** the Findings of Fact and Recommendation on Guilty Plea of the United States Magistrate Judge. The Court also accepts Defendant's plea but defers acceptance of the plea agreement until after review of the presentence report.

In accordance with Defendant's guilty plea, the Court finds Defendant Clifford Jerome Smith **GUILTY** of Count Six of the Fourth Superseding Indictment, charging a violation of Title 18 U.S.C. § 1349 - Conspiracy Commit Wire Fraud in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 1343.

So ORDERED and SIGNED this 4th day of February, 2024.

SEAN D. JORDAN / UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE